

TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD  
JOHN F. GERMANY PUBLIC LIBRARY  
DECEMBER 4, 2014

Attendance: John McWhirter (Chair), Brenda Staton (Vice Chair), Felicia Pecora (Secretary), Phyllis Alpert, Shelley Blood, Christine Kazor, Davis Gandeas, Candi Martin and Evan St. Ives were present. Jim Johnson, Peter Vaka and Shelia Spicola were excused.

Staff present: Joe Stines, Linda Gillon, David Wullschleger, Andrew Breidenbaugh, Aracelis Chapman, Renelda Sells and Megan Danak.

Guest(s): Charlotte Diggs, County Attorney's office; Sheryl Herold, Fiscal & Support Services.

The meeting was called to order at 4 pm with a quorum present.

The following volunteers were recognized for their many hours of service to the Library:

C.Blythe Andrews, Jr. Library

Mary James

Seminole Heights Library

Evan St. Ives

Patricia Benjamin

Peggy Huey

Ingrid Jacoba-Smith

West Tampa Library

Brenda Staton

Minutes from the October 23, 2014 meeting were approved as amended.

Public Comments:

Two citizen letters concerning the John F. Germany Library and downtown development as well as a request for the expansion of West Tampa Library were read into the record and both items referred to the Planning Committee for discussion and recommendation.

**Committee Reports**

Finance

The Finance Committee did not meet this month due to lack of quorum.

The Library Board reviewed the Monthly Library Activity Summary and the FY15 budget report as of November 2014.

The next meeting of the Finance Committee is scheduled for January 20, 2015, 3 pm at John F. Germany Public Library.

Planning

The Planning Committee held no meeting this month as there was no quorum.

Staff briefed the Library Board regarding a recent Bloomingdale Friends of the Library meeting where representatives from the County's Real Estate Department presented solutions for road access to the Bloomingdale Regional Library parking lot.

An update was also provided on the Riverview Library and C. Blythe Andrews, Jr. Library expansion project plans.

The next meeting of the Planning Committee is scheduled for January 20, 2015, 4 pm at John F. Germany Public Library.

### Policy & Bylaws

The 2015 schedule of library closing dates was approved without changes.

The Library Board unanimously approved the naming of the community room and the reading room at the new Robert W. Saunders, Sr. Library, which is currently under construction. The community room shall be named in honor of the late Ada T. Payne and the reading room shall be named in honor of Dr. Walter Smith.

The following Library policies were approved with changes as recommended by the Policy & Bylaws Committee:

1. LS1103, Literacy Program
2. LS1113, 3D Printing
3. LS1114, Recording Studio

The next Policy & Bylaws Committee meeting is scheduled for December 4, 2014, 3 pm at John F. Germany Public Library.

### Unfinished Business

An update was provided on efforts underway for the recruitment of a new Library Director following Mr. Stines' retirement in 2015.

New Business—None.

### Director's Report

Newly appointed Library Board members for District 2, Harvey Davis Gandeas, was welcomed and introduced.

The Library Board and Library staff wish to thank Mr. James B. Johnson, Jr. and The Mosaic Company for so generously providing refreshments for today's meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm.